Touchstone Focused Fund

Sub-Advised by: Fort Washington Investment Advisors Inc

U.S. Equity - Multi Cap Core 2Q/2026

Fund Manager Commentary

As of 06-30-2026

Fund Highlights

• Concentrated, high conviction portfolio

• Distinctive approach is centered on linking valuations with barriers to entry

• Seeks to invest in businesses that are trading below what is believed to be its estimate of the companies' intrinsic value

• Focuses on businesses that are believed to have a sustainable competitive advantage or a high barrier to entry in place

• Strategy provides the opportunity to invest in companies of all market capitalizations

Market Recap

U.S. equities rebounded strongly during the second quarter of 2026, overcoming inflation concerns earlier in the period and continued geopolitical tensions. Renewed momentum surrounding AI was a primary driver of the market advance, supported by strong corporate earnings and continued demand for semiconductor-related companies. Within the Russell 3000 Index, the Information Technology, Industrials, and Health Care sectors generated the strongest returns, while Energy, Utilities, and Consumer Staples were the weakest performing sectors. Macroeconomic conditions improved as geopolitical risks moderated during the quarter. Following the April ceasefire between the United States and Iran and gradual progress toward a diplomatic framework, concerns surrounding energy supply disruptions eased and oil prices retreated significantly from their first-quarter highs. Although inflation remained above the Federal Reserve's target, resilient corporate earnings and continued capital investment in AI infrastructure supported investor sentiment. Market participation broadened relative to recent quarters, although AI-related companies continued to account for a meaningful share of overall returns. Semiconductor, memory, networking, and data center-related companies led market performance as investors continued to evaluate the long-term returns on AI spending, competitive dynamics, and the pace of monetization.

Portfolio Review

The Touchstone Focused Fund (Class A Shares, Load Waived) underperformed its benchmark, the Russell 3000 Index, for the quarter ended June 30, 2026.

Stock selection detracted from relative performance during the quarter, while sector allocation contributed modestly. The sectors where Fund holdings outperformed the benchmark most were Consumer Staples, Materials, and Consumer Discretionary. The largest relative detractors were Information Technology, Health Care, and Real Estate. Sector allocation contributed positively, primarily due to the Fund's zero weighting in Utilities and underweight in Energy.

Among the top contributors to relative performance were Applied Materials Inc., Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd., and Texas Instruments Inc. (all Information Technology sector). Applied Materials benefited from robust demand for AI semiconductors, which continued to support strong orders for semiconductor manufacturing equipment. Taiwan Semiconductor similarly benefited from strong demand for AI semiconductors, resulting in revenue growth and margins above market expectations. Texas Instruments outperformed as results and guidance exceeded expectations, driven by strong demand from industrial and data center customers.

Among the top detractors from relative performance were Exxon Mobil Corp. (Energy sector), Meta Platforms Inc. (Communication Services sector), and Microsoft Corp. (Information Technology sector). Exxon Mobil underperformed as easing geopolitical concerns surrounding Iran reduced crude oil prices and lowered expectations for future cash flow generation. Meta Platforms detracted as elevated AI-related investment continued to pressure near-term cash flows. Microsoft underperformed as management continued to allocate incremental AI computing capacity toward internal research and development and products such as Copilot rather than third-party Azure customers, weighing on near-term revenue growth despite the investment team's positive long-term outlook.

The Fund maintained an overweight to large cap companies and underweights to both mid cap and small cap companies during the quarter, which detracted from relative performance. Investments in international companies outperformed the benchmark. During the quarter, Broadcom Inc. (Information Technology sector), Blackstone Inc. (Financials sector), and Cencora Inc. (Health Care sector) were added to the portfolio,

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while SS&C Technologies Holdings Inc. (Information Technology sector) and Goldman Sachs Group Inc. (Financials sector) were removed. At quarter-end, the Fund was overweight the Communication Services, Consumer Staples, Consumer Discretionary, and Financials sectors and underweight the Information Technology, Industrials, Materials, Energy, Real Estate, and Health Care sectors. The Fund held no positions in the Utilities sector.

Outlook and Conclusion

After a volatile first quarter, U.S. equities rebounded sharply during the second quarter as improving investor sentiment, resilient corporate earnings, and continued enthusiasm surrounding AI supported broad-based gains. While inflation remains above the Federal Reserve's target and investors continue to evaluate the future path of monetary policy, easing geopolitical tensions and continued investment in AI infrastructure have improved the market backdrop. Semiconductor, memory, networking, and data center-related companies continue to benefit from strong capital spending, although investors remain focused on the long-term returns on AI investment and the pace of monetization.

We continue to monitor employment, housing, manufacturing activity, and market breadth to reassess our investment outlook. Consistent with our long-term investment philosophy, the Fund remains focused on high quality businesses with attractive returns on invested capital, pricing power, and durable competitive advantages. Excluding cash, the Fund remains fully invested in companies we believe possess moderate to high barriers to entry. We believe that disciplined execution of its investment process positions the Fund to navigate periods of market volatility while seeking to generate attractive long-term returns.

Fund Facts

Class	Inception Date	Symbol	CUSIP	Annual Fund Operating Expense Ratio	
				Total	Net
A Shares	09/30/03	TFOAX	89154X245	1.16%	1.16%
C Shares	04/12/12	TFFCX	89154X237	2.18%	1.90%
Y Shares	02/12/99	TFFYX	89154X229	0.86%	0.86%
INST Shares	12/20/06	TFFIX	89154X211	0.92%	0.84%

Total Fund Assets $1.4 Billion

Expense ratio is annualized. Data as of the current prospectus. Touchstone Advisors has contractually agreed to waive a portion of its fees and/or reimburse certain Fund expenses in order to limit certain annual fund operating expenses (excluding Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses and other expenses, if any) to 1.20% for Class A Shares, 1.89% for Class C Shares, 0.95% for Class Y Shares, and 0.83% for Class INST Shares. These expense limitations will remain in effect until at least 07/29/27.

Share class availability differs by firm.

Annualized Total Returns

	2Q26	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Inception
Excluding Max Sales Charge							
A Shares	10.78%	3.69%	12.62%	14.18%	9.25%	12.50%	10.70%
C Shares	10.56%	3.30%	11.78%	13.32%	8.41%	11.65%	9.87%
Y Shares	10.86%	3.84%	12.95%	14.52%	9.57%	12.83%	11.00%
INST Shares	10.86%	3.85%	12.96%	14.55%	9.60%	12.89%	11.10%
Benchmark	15.43%	10.86%	22.81%	20.35%	12.30%	15.06%	8.95%
Including Max Sales Charge							
A Shares	5.24%	-1.49%	6.99%	12.25%	8.13%	11.92%	10.45%
C Shares	9.56%	2.30%	10.78%	13.32%	8.41%	11.65%	12.14%

Benchmark - Russell 3000® Index
Max 5% sales charge for Class A Shares and 1% Contingent Deferred Sales Charge for Class C Shares held less than 1 year.

The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the the 3000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization which represents approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market.
The benchmark index mentioned is an unmanaged statistical composite of stock or bond market performance. Investing in an index is not possible. Index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges.

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than performance data given. ***For performance information current to the most recent month-end, visit TouchstoneInvestments.com/mutual-funds.*** *From time to time, the investment advisor may waive some fees and/or reimburse expenses, which if not waived or reimbursed, will lower performance. Performance by share class will differ due to differences in class expenses. Returns assume reinvestment of all distributions. Returns are not annualized for periods less than one year.*

The performance presented combines the performance of the oldest share class from the Fund's inception with the performance since the inception date of each share class.
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Top 10 Holdings

		(% of Portfolio)
1	Alphabet Inc Class C	9.7
2	Microsoft Corp	7.0
3	Apple Inc	6.9
4	NVIDIA Corp	5.4
5	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	5.3
6	Amazon.com Inc	5.3
7	Applied Materials Inc	3.9
8	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd ADR	3.5
9	Bank of America Corp	3.0
10	Philip Morris International Inc	2.7

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A Word About Risk

The Fund invests in equities which are subject to market volatility and loss. The Fund invests in stocks of large-cap companies which may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges. The Fund invests in stocks of small- and mid-cap companies, which may be subject to more erratic market movements than stocks of larger, more established companies. The Fund invests in preferred stocks which are relegated below bonds for payment should the issuer be liquidated. If interest rates rise, the fixed dividend on preferred stocks may be less attractive, causing their price to decline. The Fund invests in foreign securities, including depositary receipts, such as American Depositary Receipts, Global Depositary Receipts, and European Depositary Receipts, which carry the associated risks of economic and political instability, market liquidity, currency volatility and accounting standards that differ from those of U.S. markets and may offer less protection to investors. The Fund invests in emerging markets securities which are more likely to experience turmoil or rapid changes in market or economic conditions than developed countries. The Fund may focus its investments in a particular industry and/or market sector which may increase the Fund's volatility and magnify its effects on total return. The Advisor engages a sub-advisor to make investment decisions for the Fund's portfolio; it may be unable to identify and retain a sub-advisor who achieves superior investment returns relative to other similar sub-advisors. Events in the U.S. and global financial markets, including actions taken to stimulate or stabilize economic growth may at times result in unusually high market volatility, which could negatively impact Fund performance and cause it to experience illiquidity, shareholder redemptions, or other potentially adverse effects. Banks and financial services companies could suffer losses if interest rates rise or economic conditions deteriorate. The Fund is nondiversified, which means that it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of a limited number of issuers and may be subject to greater risks. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to change.

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